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RESPONSE TO 11/30/2007 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

In response to the final Office Action mailed November 30, 2007, Applicants hereby submit the following remarks and amendments to the claims. Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time for responding to the Office action.

Please charge the \$120.00 extension of time fee and the \$810.00 Request For Continued Examination fee to Deposit Account No. 502190. If any additional fees for the accompanying response are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 50-2190.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.